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Majority prices were mostly unchanged to lower. Trade sentiment was irregular, mostly steady at best. Demand was no better than moderate. Supplies were more than sufficient to handle light needs. In the parts structure, breast items were adequate to close balanced with fair to fairly good movement, best for bone-in breasts. All other parts were adequate to fully adequate with light interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 10/11-10/16/99 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)			COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS
		AVG		AVG	
Bos/New Eng	47.00-48.00	47.65	17	52.58	36
Chicago	40.00-44.00	43.99	47	46.90	77
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	53.75	28
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	58.67	15
Denver	63.50	63.40	17	61.35	37
Detroit	39.00-43.00	44.89	14	49.16	50
Los Angeles	64.00	63.08	57	60.53	115
New York	44.00-48.00	47.27	44	51.26	84
Philadelphia	40.00-45.00	44.00	7	43.47	18
Pittsburgh	40.50-45.00	44.00	11	51.24	61
St. Louis	44.00	43.56	20	47.67	47
San Francisco	64.50	63.48	32	65.00	67

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	10/11/99	Change/Last Wk	10/05/99	10/13/98
635	53.78	0.77	53.01	68.72

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	47.00-54.00	49.24	37
Central	46.00-52.00	51.36	60
West	47.00-65.75	57.73	57

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	55.00-57.50	56.94	83
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 58.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,175	37.00-62.00	57.31

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice pack parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	147.00	4,127
BREASTS - WHOLE	70.00	2,111
THIGH MEAT - B/S	59.00	575
LEG QUARTERS	19.50	8,835
WINGS	58.00	3,021

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SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was light to fair with limited trading. Supplies were usually sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, movement of breast items was fair to good, best for bone-in breasts, fair for all other parts. Availability of breast items was adequate to close balanced, adequate to fully sufficient for the balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

WEST COAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged from last week. Offerings adequate to ample. Retailer demand was moderate at best. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was up 3.73 at 48.54 with the volume reported at 28 loads up 27 percent.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices for this week's deliveries into Chicago were unchanged, mostly lower into St. Louis and Detroit and TFEWR elsewhere. Whole fryer trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Offerings were light for the limited trade interest. Retail demand was typical for October, slow to moderate at best. Food service movement was mostly light, instances fairly good. Floor stocks were at least adequate, sizes desirable to heavy. Parts trading was selective with most outlets working off current inventories. Supplies adequate on all items. Trade sentiment was steady to firm on bone-in breasts and about steady on balance.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trucklot buying interest on ready to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly moderate. Offerings continued to meet current trade needs without difficulty. Retail and distributive movement was about fair. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts market, bone-in breasts remained in a close position while all other items were usually adequate for immediate needs.

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fairly good at some plants, seasonally fair at others. Offerings varied in a range of closely cleared to fully adequate. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were light to heavy, mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy both yesterday and today. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 48 to

complex, offerings varied by both volume and plant. Breast items were

SLAUGHTER WEEK ENDING 10/09/99 WAS 11,847,220 @ 5.05
*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR

CITY FROM DELMARVA.	TAGGED TO NEW YORK BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
	10/12/99	10/11/99
RANGE	44-70	47-70
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	51.35	52.45
NO. OF BOXES	11,122	9,569
*plants reporting.	6 of 8	6 of 8

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was mostly fair. Offerings remained close on bone-in breasts and was generally adequate on the balance of items. Retail and distributive movement was usually moderate as the middle of the month approached. The market tone was firm on breasts, fully steady to firm on leg quarters and wings, and generally steady on the remainder of items.

PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	135	141.97	518,080
TENDERLOINS	150	150.32	73,000
BREAST - WITH RIBS	61-62	68.42	265,160
BREAST - LINE RUN	61	64.54	132,200
LEGS	25-26	30.69	198,880
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	16-17	16.80	393,665
DRUMSTICKS	34-35	31.90	126,340
THIGHS	18-19	28.86	98,805
B/S THIGHS	69-70	72.19	37,080
WINGS (WHOLE)	56-57	66.06	222,280
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.04	29,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	55-60	60.12	35,656
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	49.77	39,948

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	678	120.00-154.00	130-135	137.00
TENDERLOINS	221	135.00-196.00	-	150.67
BREAST - WITH RIBS	330	62.00-76.00	62	63.15
FRONT HALVES	560	49.00-59.00	49-52	51.93
LEGS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	321	15.00-18.00	15	15.88
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,687	17.50-20.00	17-18	17.63
WINGS (WHOLE)	134	46.00-71.00	51-54	51.45
DRUMSTICKS	135	30.00-45.00	30	31.70
THIGHS	NO TRADING REPORTED			

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	10/11	10/07	10/07	10/04	09/30
ALA	3,692	3,767	5.14	3,743	5.16
ARK	5,217	4,782	4.53	5,033	4.62
DELMARVA	2,423	2,424	5.02	2,434	5.04
LA-TENN	1,644	1,646	4.49	1,730	4.43
MISS	2,736	2,655	5.12	2,645	5.09
NC	2,469	2,538	5.69	2,551	5.98
TEXAS	2,014	2,055	4.69	2,047	4.69
TOTAL	20,195	19,867	4.95	20,183	4.98
MON	20,195(A)			20,183(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 11-Oct 1998 is estimated to be 30,214,000 down 0.24 percent from a week ago and up 5.42 percent from a year ago.
(Last week 30,287,000, last year 28,661,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	710	124.00-179.00	135-138	136.26
TENDERLOINS	136	120.00-180.00	130-135	143.31
BREAST - LINE RUN	111	67.00-72.50	67-68	67.25
FRONT HALVES	55	46.00-50.00	-	47.45
LEGS	88	23.00-33.00	23-25	23.91
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	389	14.00-18.00	14-15	15.22
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,058	16.00-20.00	18-19	18.92
WINGS (WHOLE)	119	57.00-59.50	-	57.46
WINGS (CUT)	466	61.00-77.00	64-66	67.41
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	78	50.00-68.00	-	53.03

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS
TRADING FOR OCTOBER 12, 1999 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
30.00 - 34.00	31.34

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION PARTS PRICES PER LB., ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 11-15-OCT-99

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	125.00 - 170.00	135.00 - 140.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	59.00 - 69.00	62.00 - 67.00
LEGS	21.50 - 36.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	15.00 - 23.00	17.00 - 19.00
DRUMSTICKS	26.00 - 50.00	26.00 - 28.00
WINGS (WHOLE)	45.00 - 68.00	51.00 - 53.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 12.00	-
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	25.00 - 39.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30.00 - 48.00	-

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY,
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

CENTS PER POUND.	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	76-91
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	79-97
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	88-93
FROZEN DUCKS	135-149
FROZEN SQUABS	589

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	80-82
ROASTERS 4# & UP	82-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	83-88
DUCKS	125-135
RABBITS-WHOLE	309
RABBITS-CUT UP	326

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK 107
	ICE PACK 91-96
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 104
	DRY PACK 112
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK 98
	ICE PACK 91
DUCKS	149-166

EASTERN REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. OCTOBER 08,1999

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00-18.50	18.00	17.00	-
WTD AVERAGE	16.85	18.00	17.00	

1,475,000 pounds, this includes 320,000 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	17.50	-	16.00-17.00
WTD AVERAGE		17.50		16.46

600,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%				
RANGE	14.75-18.00	17.00-18.00	13.00-18.00	13.00-15.00
WTD AVERAGE	16.50	17.20	14.76	14.26

1,814,500 pounds, this includes 720,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	13.50	-
WTD AVERAGE			13.50	

160,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.
* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN REPORT Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Finished sales were slow. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was barely steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 LBS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-OCT-99

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-19.5	11-13	12.63

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

CENTRAL REGION PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. OCTOBER 08,1999

CHICKEN PRICES

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.00-19.00	19.00-20.00	14.00-15.00	15.00
WTD AVERAGE	18.26	19.50	14.60	15.00

298,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%				
RANGE	14.50-17.50	-	11.00-14.00	13.00-14.00
WTD AVERAGE	14.91		11.95	13.58

1,565,800 pounds, this includes 571,200 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	13.50	-
WTD AVERAGE			13.50	

81,600 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.
* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN REPORT Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Offerings were fully adequate for a moderate demand. Processing schedules were mostly normal. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 11-OCT-99

	RANGE CENTS/LB.	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5.5-18	7.75-14.5	11.06

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT
FOB PLANT TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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